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THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—“(a) & (b) Yes, a copy of the resolutions passed by the Malabar District Village Officers' Conference held at Parappanangadi on 30th December 1954 has been received by the Government. The remarks of the Collector on the resolution are awaited.”

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR :—“This is not a new demand put forward recently. Representations have been made in this regard during the past two or three years. Will the Government expedite the matter so that some relief can be given at an early date?”

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—“Yes, Sir, we shall try as far as possible to expedite.”

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS.

Roads from villages to main roads

101 Q.—SRI M. KATTIMUTHU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(a) how many roads were constructed from villages to main roads in the year 1953-54; and

(b) how many roads are proposed to be constructed in the current year district-war out of the income derived from the respective District Boards?

A.—(a) Eighty-one roads were constructed from villages to main roads in the year 1953-54. Of these, 11 roads were constructed exclusively out of the funds of the District Boards and 70 roads were constructed under grants-in-aid, Local Development Schemes, etc.

(b) The roads proposed to be constructed in the current year out of the income derived from the respective District Boards are :—

1 South Arcot District Board	...	18
2 Tanjore District Board	...	2
3 Madurai District Board	...	4
4 Other District Boards	...	Nil.
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		24
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Issue of gun licences

102 Q.—DR. K. B. MENON : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) how many applications for gun licences were received by the Government for the period 15th August 1947 to 30th June 1954;

(b) how many of these are from women;

(c) how many licences were issued; and

(d) whether any were refused to women?

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A.—(a) to (d) The Government do not receive applications for the grant of licences for possession of guns. The Licensing Authorities are Collector-Magistrates in the districts and the Commissioner of Police in the City. The particulars as regards the number of applications for the grant of licences during the period from 15th August 1947 to 31st December 1952 are not available as the relevant records in the Offices of the Licensing Authorities have been destroyed according to Rules. A statement ^a showing the particulars in respect of the period from 1st January 1953 to 30th June 1954 is annexed.

District Board Elections

103 Q.—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(a) how many passenger buses were requisitioned from various bus owners in Tiruchirappalli district for the use of the Government in connection with the district board elections from 1st October to 15th October 1954; and

(b) the hire charges paid for each bus for each day?

A.—(a) Eighty-seven buses were requisitioned from the owners in the Tiruchirappalli district, in connection with the district board elections held in October 1954.

(b) The rates of hire charges were as follows:—

	RS.
For buses with a seating capacity of 36 and above	75 per day.
Do. between 31 and 35	70 per day.
Do. between 26 and 30	65 per day.
Do. between 20 and 25	60 per day.

The above rates were exclusive of surcharge, cost of petrol, oil, etc.

104 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(a) the number of voters in each district of the State according to the voters' list for the district board elections; and

(b) the number of voters in each district of the State who recorded their votes in the recent district board elections?

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A.—(a) & (b) A statement is appended below :—

Name of the District Board.					Total number of voters.	Total number of voters who exercised their franchise.
(1)					(2)	(3)
North Arcot	..	..	..	..	1,522,485	356,193
South Arcot	..	..	..	..	1,435,709	373,254
Chingleput	..	..	..	..	929,860	232,328
Coimbatore	..	..	..	..	1,525,427	545,244
Malabar	..	..	..	..	2,335,905	1,079,625
Madurai	..	..	..	..	1,233,583	475,586
Ramanathapuram	..	..	..	..	1,023,265	262,688
Salem *	..	..	..	..	1,649,249	523,423
South Kanara	..	..	..	..	875,537	370,505
Tanjore	..	..	..	..	1,476,779	549,564
Tiruchirappalli †	..	..	..	..	1,470,500	450,758
The Nilgiris	..	..	..	..	113,556	40,306
Tirunelveli	..	..	..	..	1,271,889	283,053

NOTE.—* The polling for the Nangavalli-Mettur Circle has not yet taken place.

† The polling for the Tiruchirappalli-Srirangam Circle has not yet taken place.

Adult Education Centres in South Arcot

105 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM :—Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of adult education centres functioning in the South Arcot district;

(b) the amount spent for the year 1953–54 for maintaining these centres; and

(c) how many adult education centres are maintained direct—

(i) by the Education Department,

(ii) by the Director of Harijan Welfare,

(iii) under the National Extension Scheme; and

(iv) under Community Projects?

A.—(a) Sixty-one.

(b) Rs. 69,016.

(c) (i) Nil.

(ii) Nil.

(iii) 41.

(iv) 20.

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Forests in Perambalur taluk

106 Q.—SRI M. PALANIMUTHU: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the survey numbers and extent of forest areas in Perambalur taluk of Tiruchirappalli district and the net income derived by Government from them every year for the last three years?

A.—A statement ^a showing the area of the reserved forests in Perambalur taluk and the income derived from them is appended.

As some of the forests have been grouped with other forests or portions thereof situated outside the taluk to form convenient beats, it is not possible to apportion the expenditure on pay of the protective staff and overhead charges correctly and arrive at the net income of the forests of this taluk alone.

As there are no survey numbers for Class I Reserved Forests and as information regarding the survey numbers of Class III Reserved Forests which are numerous in number is not readily available, the survey numbers of the forests are unable to be furnished.

Labour cases attended to by Women Medical Officers in District Boards

107 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the number of labour cases attended to personally by Women Medical Officers in District Boards during the year 1953 districtwar?

A.—The information is furnished below:—

District.					Labour cases attended. (Difficult and complicated cases which could not be treated by Maternity Assistants.)
	(1)				(2)
1 Chingleput	..	..	..	..	26
2 North Arcot	..	..	..	..	Nil.
					(Post was abolished from July 1954)
3 South Arcot	..	..	..	..	4
4 Tanjore	..	..	..	..	Nil.
5 Tiruchirappalli	..	..	..	..	4
					(The post was vacant for some period during the year.)
6 Madurai	..	..	..	..	13
7 Ramanathapuram	..	..	..	..	8

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District.	Labour cases attended (Difficult and complicated cases which could not be treated by Maternity Assistants.)			
	(1)			(2)
8 Tirunelveli	..	..	..	Nil.
9 Salem	..	..	..	Nil.
10 Coimbatore	..	..	..	6
11 The Nilgiris	..	..	..	Nil.
				(There is no post of Woman Medical Officer.)
12 Malabar, South	..	..	..	Nil.
13 Malabar, North	..	..	..	Nil.
				(Post unfilled for want of suitable qualified candi- dates.)
14 South Kanara	..	..	..	Nil.
				(There is no post of Woman Medical Officer.)

Composite mills in the State

108 Q.—SRI C. RAJAM RAMASWAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the number of composite mills in the State together with the quantity of cloth produced by them for the year ended 31st December 1953; and

(b) the number of men employed in each mill?

A.—(a) & (b) Particulars are given in the statements ^a annexed.

Improvement of slums in Tanjore

109 Q.—SRI A. K. SUBBIAH: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) how many slums have been improved by the present Ministry in Tanjore district; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

A.—(a) & (b) The following improvements have been made to the slums in Tanjore district:—

(1) *Mannargudi Municipality.*

1. An approach road has been formed to Arunthathiars' quarters.

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2. A well in old Tanjore Road near Harijans' quarters has been repaired.
3. A drinking-water well has been provided in Mudalsethi Pallar street.
4. Road leading to Big Para street has been improved.

(2) *Nannilam taluk.*

1. Drinking-water wells have been provided in 29 villages.
2. Twenty-five acres of land have been acquired and allotted as house-sites to Harijans of eight villages.

(3) *Tiruturaipundi taluk.*

Drinking-water wells and tanks have been deepened in six villages; approach roads and pathways have been formed in three villages and a community hall has been constructed in one village. In addition, 69 community latrines have been constructed and 125 cheris have been cleaned.

Harijan Welfare schools in Chingleput

110 Q.—SRI O. CHENGAM PILLAI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

- (a) how many schools are run by the Harijan Welfare Department in Chingleput district;
- (b) how many schools have thatched roofs;
- (c) how many have been reconstructed in the year 1954;
- (d) how many have no roofs; and
- (e) whether these schools will be provided with roofs with leaves before the end of the official year?

A.—(a) 117.

(b) 117.

(c) 28.

(d) 27 are in need of repairs.

(e) Yes.

Allowances drawn by Ministers

111 Q.—SRI S. S. KOLKEBAIL: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to place on the table of the House a statement showing—

- (a) the amount of travelling allowance, house-rent allowance, medical allowance, car allowance and any other allowances, drawn

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by each Minister during the years 1952-53 and 1953-54 including those Ministers who have resigned or gone over to Andhra State on 1st October 1953;

(b) the number of days toured by each Minister in each of the financial years 1952-53 and 1953-54;

(c) the purpose of the tours in detail; and

(d) the travelling allowance drawn by the personal staff of each Minister during the years 1952-53 and 1953-54?

A.—(a) & (b) Two statements ^a (Statements I and II) containing the necessary particulars are annexed.

(c) It will be difficult to describe in detail the purpose of each tour, but all the tours were undertaken on official business.

(d) Two statements ^a (Statements III and IV) containing the necessary particulars are annexed.

112 Q.—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the total amount of travelling allowance drawn by each Minister during the year 1953-54?

A.—A statement is given below :—

Statement showing the amount of travelling allowance drawn by each Minister during the year 1953-54.

Serial number and name of the Minister.	Period of office.	Total travelling allowance drawn.
(1)	(2)	(3)
		RS. A. P.
1 Sri C. Rajagopalachari ..	1st April 1953 to 31st March 1954.	1,452 3 0
2 Sri A. B. Shetty ..	1st April 1953 to 31st March 1954.	4,667 11 0
3 Sri M. Bhaktavatsalam ..	9th October 1953 to 31st March 1954.	2,594 15 0
4 Sri C. Subramaniam .	1st April 1953 to 31st March 1954.	4,972 1 0
5 Sri K. Venkatawami Naidu.	1st April 1953 to 31st March 1954.	4,927 12 0

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Serial number and name of the Minister.	Period of office.	Total travelling allowance drawn.		
		(1)	(2)	(3)
				RS. A. P
6 Sri N. Ranga Reddi ..	1st April to 30th September 1953.	3,307	11	0
7 Dr. M. V. Krishna Rao ..	1st April to 30th September 1953.	4,849	10	3
8 Sri V. C. Palaniswami Gounder.	1st April 1953 to 31st March 1954.	3,590	0	0
9 Dr. U. Krishna Rao ..	1st April 1953 to 31st March 1954.	2,233	7	0
10 Dr. R. Nagan Gowda ..	1st April to 30th September 1953.	4,535	12	0
11 Sri N. Sankara Reddi ..	1st April to 30th September 1953.	2,610	6	0
12 Sri M. A. Manickavelu Naicker.	1st April 1953 to 31st March 1954.	5,214	8	0
13 Sri K. P. Kuttikrishnan Nair.	1st April 1953 to 31st March 1954.	2,566	10	6
14 Raja Sri Shanmuga Rajeswara Sethupathi.	1st April 1953 to 31st March 1954.	1,326	6	0
15 Sri S. B. P. Pattabirama Rao.	1st April to 30th September 1953.	2,175	13	0
16 Sri D. Sanjeevayya ..	1st April to 30th September 1953.	2,748	1	0
17 Sri K. Rajaram Naidu ..	9th October 1953 to 31st March 1954.	2,551	0	0
18 Srimathi Jothi Vencatachellum.	9th October 1953 to 31st March 1954.	784	12	0

Harijan employees in Revenue Department in Malabar

113 Q.—SRI E. T. KUNHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) how many Harijans are employed in the Revenue Department, (i) in Malabar and (ii) in Ponnani taluk; and

(b) whether this number is in accordance with the rule of reservation of posts for Harijans?

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A.—(a) (i) Twenty-five.

(ii) One.

- (b) The rule of reservation of appointments for Scheduled castes (Harijans) is applicable to the district as a whole. The taluk is not taken as a unit for this purpose. The recruitment to the Madras Ministerial Service is made by the Madras Public Service Commission and the rule of reservation is observed by the Commission to the extent possible according to the availability of suitable candidates when the allotment is made. In the case of the last grade Government servants, the recruitment is made through the Employment Exchange. In making the appointments including temporary appointments, preference is shown to the members of the scheduled castes allotted by the Employment Exchange.

Harijan employees in Civil Courts in Malabar

114 Q.—SRI E. T. KUNHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Harijans employed in Civil Courts in Malabar; and

(b) whether the number is in accordance with the rule of reservation of posts for Harijans?

A.—(a) Four Harijans are employed in Civil Courts in Malabar.

(b) No. The reason is that sufficient number of qualified Harijans was not available for appointment.

Offence under the Suppression of Immoral Traffic Act

115 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of persons convicted under the Suppression of Immoral Traffic Act during 1953 and 1954; and

(b) how many of them are men and how many women?

A.—(a) & (b) The particulars are as follows:—

Year.	Men.	Women.	Total.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1953	34	660	694
1954	33	448	481

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High Schools and Colleges in the State

116 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the number of High Schools and Colleges as on 1st December 1954 districtwar?

A.—The particulars are given below :—

District.	Number of High Schools.	Number of Colleges.
(1)	(2)	(3)
1 Madras (City)	68	11
2 Chingleput	36	3
3 South Arcot	38	1
4 Tanjore	64	1
5 Madurai	51	5
6 Ramanathapuram	60	4
7 Tiruvelveli	72	6
8 North Arcot	57	4
9 Salem	60	1
10 Tiruchirappalli	70	6
11 Coimbatore	85	5
12 The Nilgiris	17	Nil.
13 Malabar	125	6
14 South Kanara	71	4

Pupil teachers

117 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of pupil teachers who underwent training in the Higher Grade and Secondary Grade training schools during the year 1953-54; and

(b) the amount paid to them as stipend?

A.—(a) A statement^a is placed on the table of the House.

(b) The monthly rate of stipend per student is Rs. 18 per mensem for those undergoing the secondary grade training and Rs. 12 per mensem for those undergoing elementary grade. In respect of both the senior and junior basic grade trainees, the rate of stipend is Rs. 18 per mensem. The stipends are paid for a period of 21 months for the entire course.

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Kumri cultivation in the State

118 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the extent of Kumri cultivation in the Madras State during 1953–54 and 1954–55;

(b) the revenue derived from it; and

(c) the extent of improvement to forests on account of this system?

A.—(a) to (c) A statement ^a showing the extent of Kumri cultivation in Madras State during 1953–54 and 1954–55, the revenue derived from it and the extent of improvement to forests on account of this system is appended.

Kumri cultivation in Tiruvallur taluk

119 Q.—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the extent of forest lands available for Kumri cultivation in Tiruvallur taluk;

(b) the extent of such lands so far leased out and the terms on which they have been leased out; and

(c) whether any loan was granted to the cultivators to make those forest lands fit for cultivation?

A.—(a) 1,913 acres.

(b) An extent of 90 acres in Mailapore Reserved Forest and 115 acres in Vembodu Reserved Forest have been leased out for Kumri cultivation during 1954–55. The conditions under which these lands are leased out are detailed in the statement ^b appended.

(c) No, Sir.

Offences under the Iron and Steel Control Order

120 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the number of cases of violation and misuse of the materials purchased under the Iron and Steel Control Order in 1953 and 1954; and

(b) how many of them have ended in conviction?

^a Printed as Appendix VI on pages 952–953 infra.

^b Printed as Appendix VII on page 954 infra.

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A.—(a) Eleven in 1953 and five in 1954.

(b) Six cases of 1953 and one case of 1954 have ended in conviction so far.

Minimum wages for agricultural labourers

121 Q.—SRI R. KRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the average wages for agricultural labourers in each district in the State; and

(b) whether any minimum wages have been fixed for agricultural labourers under the Minimum Wages Act, 1948?

A.—(a) The average rates of wages paid to certain categories of agricultural labour in each district of the State are as follows:—

District. (1)	Ploughmen. (2)	Sowers and transplanters.						Non-adults. (5)		
		Men.			Women.					
		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.
Chingleput	1 0 3	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
South Arcot	1 3 5	0	11	4	0	9	2			
North Arcot	1 9 7	1	1	9	0	10	2			
Salem	4 6 8 *	1	4	6	0	10	7	0	8	6
Coimbatore	0 14 7	0	13	10	0	7	3	0	7	0
Tiruchirappalli ..	1 13 10	0	13	5	0	8	3	0	7	7
Tanjore	0 14 10	1	2	7	0	10	6			
Madurai	0 15 9	0	13	0	0	12	4	0	12	3
Ramanathapuram ..	1 0 0	1	0	0	0	12	0	0	12	0
Tirunelveli	0 12 11	0	12	0	0	8	2	0	7	8
Malabar	2 13 9				0	14	10			
South Kanara	1 5 2	1	0	6	1	0	5	0	13	9
The Nilgiris	1 10 4	1	10	9	1	2	5	0	14	2

* Rate of wages paid to ploughmen working with their own ploughs and bullocks.

(b) No, Sir.

New buses for the Transport Department

122 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the cost of each of the buses newly added in 1954 to the City Transport system; and

(b) the number of buses proposed to be added in 1955?

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A.—(a) The information is furnished below :—

Type of bus.	Number of buses put on road in 1954.	Cost of each bus.			
		RS.	A.	P.	
Commer (light diesel) ..	2	35,476	6	0	
Leyland Royal Tiger (heavy diesel).	17	63,900	0	0	approx- imately.

(b) Thirty-three more Leyland Royal Tiger buses will be added to the fleet in 1955. Besides these, 50 heavy type diesel vehicles are expected to be added to the fleet strength in 1955-56.

Manufacture of tar boilers

123 Q.—SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) how many tar boilers were manufactured by the Transport and Industries Section in 1952-53, 1953-54 and 1954-55;

(b) how many of these were sold to the Public Works Department;

(c) how many were sold to private contractors; and

(d) at what rate?

A.—(a) No tar boilers were manufactured by the Transport and Industries Departments in 1952-53, 1953-54 and 1954-55.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Expenditure from the Harijan Welfare Budget

124 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state the amounts spent by the Government for Harijan students under the following heads during the year 1953-54 from the funds allotted in the budget for 1953-54 :—

(a) the amount towards school fees;

(b) the amount towards college fees;

(c) the amount towards examination fees;

(d) the amount for books;

(e) the amount towards non-residential scholarships;

(f) the amount towards residential scholarships;

(g) the amount for Harijan hostels; and

(h) the amount for midday meals?

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A.—The amount spent by the Government for the students belonging to eligible communities from the Harijan Welfare Budget during 1953–54 is as follows :—

	First half-year (Composite State).	Whole year.	Second half-year (Madras State).
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	RS.	RS.	RS.
School fees	3,98,435	..	10,86,442
College fees	488	..	5,667
Examination fees	1,168	..	13,057
Books	..	11,850	..
Non-residential scholarships.	..	2,26,414	..
Residential scholarships ..	..	5,51,953	..
Harijan hostels—			
Government hostels ..	99,385	..	1,34,279
Subsidized hostels ..	5,91,523	..	6,80,304
Midday meals	11,27,668	..	9,00,734

Co-operative Milk Supply Society, Tindivanam

125 Q.—SRI M. VENUGOPALA GOUNDER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the amount of loan granted to the Co-operative Milk Supply Society at Tindivanam in 1952, 1953 and 1954 ;

(b) the number of milk centres managed by the society ; and

(c) the approximate quantity of milk supplied by the society ?

A.—(a) The amount of loan granted is as shown below :—

	RS.
1951–52	2,300
1952–53	2,550
1953–54	Nil.

(b) No milk centre is managed by the society. All the milk produced by the society is supplied to the Tindivanam Milk Supply Union.

(c) 1952—60,774 lb. or 15,193½ Madras measures.

1953—75,637 lb. or 18,909¼ Madras measures.

1954—91,884 lb. or 22,971 Madras measures.

Murder cases in Tindivanam

126 Q.—SRI M. VENUGOPALA GOUNDER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) how many murder cases were registered in the Police stations in Tindivanam taluk, South Arcot district, from 1952 up to date ; and

(b) how many were detected and how many undetected ?

A.—(a) 12.

(b) Detected—2.

Undetected—10.

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Formation of roads under the First Five-Year Plan

127 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state the amount allotted for improving and forming the various roads in the First Five-Year Plan districtwar?

A.—

Name of district.	Category of roads.	Amount allotted.	
		Improvement.	New formation.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		RS.	RS.
Chingleput	(a) State Highways.	9,44,414	12,000
	(b) Other Roads.	2,23,839	3,65,004
South Arcot	(a) State Highways.	16,84,000	..
	(b) Other Roads.	8,76,540	3,31,160
North Arcot	(a) State Highways.	4,42,614	37,602
	(b) Other Roads.	1,23,268	6,97,725
Salem	(a) State Highways.	8,03,900	24,00,000
	(b) Other Roads.	3,10,660	4,22,448
Coimbatore	(a) State Highways.	6,30,100	..
	(b) Other Roads.	4,27,100	4,01,820
Malabar	(a) State Highways.	11,95,330	2,70,019
	(b) Other Roads.	2,64,587	25,14,989
South Kanara	(a) State Highways.	41,61,817	..
	(b) Other Roads.	1,23,966	2,35,186
Tirunelveli	(a) State Highways.	3,58,500	..
	(b) Other Roads.	1,12,035	8,50,464
Ramanathapuram ..	(a) State Highways.	35,500	..
	(b) Other Roads.	3,10,000	15,42,500
Madurai	(a) State Highways.	6,27,536	33,500
	(b) Other Roads.	1,46,750	8,88,350
Nilgiris	(a) State Highways.	3,66,500	..
	(b) Other Roads.	86,300	..
Tanjore	(a) State Highways.	17,62,899	..
	(b) Other Roads.	8,27,352	4,07,299
Tiruchirappalli ..	(a) State Highways.	4,54,400	..
	(b) Other Roads.	1,12,400	7,34,300
Total ..		2,04,12,907	1,22,44,366

Scheme for housing the Harijans

128 Q.—SRI P. G. MANICKAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have under consideration any scheme for housing the Harijans now living in cheris in the State and

(b) if so, at what stage it is?

A.—(a) & (b) The Government have no scheme under their consideration. In the Two-Year Plan for removal of untouchability forwarded to the Government of India for sanction of grant, a small provision has been made for assisting Harijans to construct houses. The sanction of the Government of India is awaited.

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Libraries in South Arcot district

129 Q.—SRI M. VENUGOPALA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of libraries functioning in South Arcot district that are subsidized by the state; and

(b) the total subsidy given to them in 1952, 1953 and 1954?

A.—(a) The number of libraries in the South Arcot district which are eligible for subsidy from the Government is 91.

(b) The subsidy paid during each of the years to all the eligible libraries is as follows:—

					RS.
1951-52	...	...	...	...	5,725
1952-53	...	...	...	...	3,105
1953-54	...	...	...	...	3,225

Malnad area

130 Q.—SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state with reference to the answer given to a supplementary question under question No. 88 on the 7th December 1954, the names of the villages of Walluvanad and Ernad taluks in Malabar district which are included in the Malnad area, with their respective population?

A.—The required particulars are furnished below:—

Taluks.		Names of villages.	Population according to 1951 Census.
(1)		(2)	(3)
Ernad ..	..	Nilambur ..	24,481
Walluvanad ..	..	Attapady ..	11,353

Cottage and village industries

131 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have taken any statistics regarding the cottage and village industries in the State;

(b) if so, whether a copy of such statistics will be placed on the table of the House;

(c) whether the Government have any scheme for the revival of the cottage and village industries; and

(d) if so, what it is?

A.—(a) & (b) No detailed survey for the collection of statistics regarding cottage and village industries in this State was conducted recently but a simple survey of cottage industries in select firkas was made by the Director

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of Statistics. The report on this survey is under print, and it will be available for sale at Rs. 12-6-0 a copy. Particulars of the firkas and the industries covered by this survey are given below :—

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|---|---|--|
| 1 | Hosur and Kollegal firkas (Salem and Coimbatore districts). | Silk worm rearing and spinning. |
| 2 | Ramanathapuram area (Ramanathapuram district). | Conch shell work and palmyra products. |
| 3 | Melacheval firka (Tiruneveli district). | Mat and reed products. |
| 4 | Kozhikode (Malabar district.) | Rural cabinet making, coir and coconut industry. |
| 5 | Kasaragod (South Kanara district). | Baskets and cotton cap making. |
| 6 | Kumbakonam firka (Tanjore district). | Metal industry. |

(c) & (d) Yes, Sir. A list of the schemes sanctioned and of the schemes under examination is appended :—

(i) *Schemes sanctioned.*

1. Manufacture of fancy articles from fine koraimats at Pattamadai in Cheranmahadevi Block.
2. Scheme for the purchase of frame looms and spinning wheels for the development of cumbly weaving in Attur Block.
3. Scheme for the manufacture of paper toys in Pulivalam village of Musiri taluk.
4. Scheme for the development of bee-keeping industry in Tellicherry Block.
5. Scheme for the development of bee-keeping industry in Usilampatti Block.
6. Scheme for the establishment of a workshop in extension block for providing training in smithy, carpentry, housing designs and construction.
7. Scheme for setting up and running of demonstration units, of Wardha ghanis at Sivagiri in the Lower Bhavani Project and Ramarajapuram in Periyar Project.
8. Grant of Rs. 200 for the Live Dorri weavers in Karkal (South Kanara Project area).
9. Establishment of Model Blacksmithy training centre at Karathupalayam in the Lower Bhavani Project area.
10. Starting of two training centres to develop the skill of bamboo workers in the Lower Bhavani Project area.
11. Development of palm-gur industry in the Lower Bhavani and Malampuzha Project areas.

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12. Scheme for providing common kiln and for improving the quality of glazed pottery manufactured in Kanigiri of North Arcot district.

13. Establishment of 30 Wardha ghani demonstration units in the Community Projects and National Extension Service areas.

(ii) *Schemes under consideration.*

1. Scheme for the manufacture of crayons in Karur Block.

2. Scheme for the establishment of wood seasoning kiln to supply seasoned timber for use by the artisans in the Community Project and National Extension Service Blocks in the West Coast.

3. Establishment of two model carpentry workshops in urban and semi-urban areas.

4. Scheme for starting a blacksmithy-cum-welding centre in the South Kanara Project.

5. Scheme for the establishment of two footwear service centres.

6. Scheme for starting a glass bangle and bead training centre in Chidambaram Block.

7. Scheme for the establishment of two general purpose engineering workshops, one in Periyar Project and the other in Malampuzha Project.

8. Scheme for the establishment of a sales emporium at Madurai primarily to promote the sales of handicrafts products.

9. Scheme for the establishment of a model unit for the manufacture of soaps from neem oil.

10. Schemes for the development of bee-keeping, poultry farming, blacksmithy, carpentry and rattan work in Malnad area.

11. Scheme for the establishment of a pottery training centre at Alankar in South Kanara district.

12. Scheme for the establishment of a pottery production-cum-training centre at Manamadurai.

13. Establishment of a porcelain and semi-porcelain service centre at Papinisseri in North Malabar district.

14. Expansion of the training centre for the manufacture of scientific glassware at Madras.

15. Establishment of model fancy and utility articles manufacturing units from leather.

16. Scheme for the establishment of a service centre for lock industry in Dindigul.

17. Scheme for opening of a service centre for clay pipes manufacturers in Malampuzha Project.

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Burial-grounds for Harijans

132 Q.—SRI O. KORAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) how many applications were received from Malabar in 1950 to 1954 for the grant of burial-grounds for Harijans;

(b) whether the burial-grounds have been granted; and

(c) if not, why?

A.—(a) Twenty-four.

(b) & (c) Burial-grounds have been provided in five cases by acquisition of private lands. Acquisition of lands has been sanctioned in another five cases and proceedings under the Land Acquisition Act are pending in different stages. The remaining cases are pending enquiry. Many of the applications in these cases were received late in 1954.

Harijan women for the nurses' training course

133 Q.—SRI O. KORAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) how many Harijan women candidates were selected for the nurses' training from Malabar in the years 1950-54;

(b) how many of them came out successful in the training;

(c) how many of them were taken into the service; and

(d) how many are still unemployed?

A.—(a) to (d) Selection of candidates to the nurses' training course is not made on a districtwar basis. Only the best of the candidates from the various districts are selected for the training. No districtwar statistics of the selections made during the years 1950-54 are therefore available.

Offences under the Removal of Civil Disabilities Act in Malabar.

134 Q.—SRI O. KORAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) how many cases were filed in Malabar under the Removal of Civil Disabilities Act in the years 1952 to 1954; and

(b) how many persons were convicted?

A.—(a) 1952—7.

1953—5.

1954—9.

(b) 1952—4.

1953—4.

1954—3.

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Government Cinchona Plantations, Valparai

135 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the number of workers employed during 1952 in the Government Cinchona Plantations, Valparai;

(b) the number of workers retrenched during 1952 to 1954: and

(c) why they were retrenched?

A.—(a) 2,550.

(b) 1952—Nil.

1953—42.

1954—Nil.

(c) They were retrenched from among the newly appointed workers due to reduction in work in the plantations.

Batta to Government Transport staff

136 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the amount of batta given to—

(1) Works clerks;

(2) Checking Inspectors;

(3) Time-keepers;

(4) Drivers; and

(5) Conductors in the City Transport; and

(b) whether the batta given to Checking Inspectors has been enhanced?

A.—(a) No batta is paid to works clerks as they do not go on the line. The line staff are given batta at the following rates :—

					RS. A. P.
Checking Inspectors	...	...			1 4 0
Time-keepers	...	...	...	...	1 0 0
Drivers	...	...	...	...	1 2 0
Conductors	...	...	...	...	1 2 0

(b) Yes, Sir. It was enhanced in April 1953 from Re. 1 to Re. 1-4-0.

Veterinary hospitals and dispensaries in Tindivanam taluk

137 Q.—SRI M. JAGANNATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Veterinary hospitals and dispensaries in Tindivanam taluk, South Arcot district;

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(b) the number of cattle treated in them during 1952-53 and 1953-54; and

(c) the number of cattle treated for rinderpest during that period?

A.—(a) There is only one Veterinary Dispensary in Tindivanam taluk and it is situated at Tindivanam.

(b) The number of cattle treated at the dispensary during the years 1952-53 and 1953-54 was respectively 1,932 and 2,181 and the number of bulls castrated, 496 and 636.

(c) This taluk has been free from rinderpest during that period.

Distribution of bulls by the South Arcot District Board

138 Q.—SRI M. JAGANNATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the number of bulls bought and distributed to the ryots by the South Arcot District Board under the Grants-in-aid Scheme for district boards, during the years 1952 to 1954; and

(b) the number of cases in which ownership of the bulls was declared during that period?

A.—(a) No bulls were purchased and distributed by the South Arcot District Board in 1952-53.

Two bulls were purchased and distributed to selected custodians in 1953-54.

(b) The number of cases in which the bulls were given personally to custodians is nil.

Bought-in lands in Tindivanam taluk

139 Q.—SRI M. JAGANNATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the number of acres of lands classified so far, as bought-in lands in Tindivanam taluk, South Arcot district; and

(b) how many acres of them are cultivated by Harijan ryots?

A.—(a) 1,034.33 acres.

(b) 116.02 acres.

Entertainment tax

140 Q.—SRI M. JAGANNATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the number of entertainments conducted in the State in 1952-53 and 1953-54;

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(b) the number of entertainments in respect of which tax was paid in 1953-54 (i) by means of returns and (ii) in the form of stamps;

(c) the number of entertainments exempted from tax in 1953-54;

(d) the number of cases in which refund was granted in that year; and

(e) the total demand for that year?

A.—(a) Total number of entertainments in respect of which tax was collected—

(i) In 1952-53—Rs. 3,29,960.

(ii) In 1953-54—Rs. 3,22,679.

(b) By means of returns—Rs. 3,20,971.

In the form of stamps—Rs. 1,680.

(c) Rs. 1,209.

(d) Rs. 23.

(e) (i) Total demand excluding show tax—Rs. 62,52,569.

(ii) Demand for 1953-54 under show tax—Rs. 4,39,370.

Manufacture of artificial silk

141 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the various steps taken and experiments, if any, conducted to start manufacture of artificial silk in Madras State?

A.—No steps have been taken by the Government to start manufacture of artificial silk and no experiments have been conducted by Government in this regard.

State Transport Advisory Committee

142 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) who are the members of the State Transport Advisory Committee;

(b) whether the Committee met in 1954; and

(c) if so, the details of its work?

A.—(a) (1) The Minister-in-charge of Finance.

(2) The Minister-in-charge of Local Administration.

(3) The Secretary to the Government, Home Department.

(4) The Secretary to the Government, Public Works Department.

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- (5) The Chief Engineer (Highways).
 - (6) Sri E. K. Sankara Varma Raja, M.L.A.
 - (7) Sri N. Mahalingam, M.L.A.
 - (8) Sri M. Kalyanasundaram, M.L.A.
 - (9) Sri T. M. Narayanaswamy Pillai, M.L.C.
 - (10) Sri T. Purushothama Mudaliar, M.L.C.
 - (11) The Chairman, Motor Vehicles and Allied Merchants Association, Madras.
 - (12) Sri T. S. Krishna, c/o T. V. Sundaram Ayyangar and Sons, Limited, Madurai.
 - (13) Sri V. S. Kuduva, Managing Director, The Canara Public Conveyance Company, Limited, Mangalore.
- (b) Yes, Sir.
- (c) The Committee is summoned to meet from time to time to advise the Government on important matters regarding the policy and administration of motor transport. The functions of the Committee are purely advisory.

Match and Plywood industries

143 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the various steps taken to encourage match and plywood industries; and

(b) what are the various species raised for this and the extent raised?

A.—(a) The steps taken to encourage match and plywood industries are :—

(1) *Supply of raw materials.*—Softwood coupes in Wynad and Palghat Divisions are worked in different years from the different groups of species. Four softwood coupes were leased to South Indian Plywood Manufacturers' Association in 1952 at negotiated rates. The right to extract the softwood trees fit for match industries is sold in auction. Any specific request from the small-scale match manufacturers for sale of softwood coupes is considered on its merits.

(2) *Storage and transport facilities.*—Storage of splints and veneers in unlicensed premises is permitted under certain conditions, as a special case, relaxing the Central Excise Rules. A daily quota of two wagons for each of the railway stations at Sattur and Sivakasi has been arranged to facilitate quick movement of finished match boxes.

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(3) *Marketing*.—Proposal for setting up a Central Marketing Co-operative for handling hand-made matches is under consideration.

(b) The species of softwood raised are—

Bombax malabaricum.

Mangifera Indica.

Evodia Roxburghiana.

Machilur Macrantha.

Vateria Indica.

Broussonita Papyrifera.

Sterculia alata.

Ailanthus malabarica; and

Sterculia compenulata.

The total extent planted with matchwood species up to 1954 was 760 acres. During 1954-55, steps have been taken to plant matchwood species over an area of 1, 125 acres.

No separate particulars for plywood industry are available in addition to those given above.

Smallpox in Malabar.

144 Q.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) how many persons had an attack of smallpox in Malabar since November 1954 talukwar;

(b) how many persons died on account of smallpox in Kurumbranad taluk in Malabar since November 1954 up to date, and

(c) the preventive measures taken by the Government to check the spread of the disease?

A.—(a) The number of persons who had an attack of smallpox in Malabar since November 1954 up to 19th February 1955 talukwar is as follows:—

Name of the taluk.						Number of persons attacked with small pox.
	(1)					(2)
1 Chirakkal	..	..	..	..	..	3
2 Kottayam	..	..	..	..	..	3
3 Kurumbranad	..	..	..	..	..	314
4 Kozhikode	..	..	..	..	..	13
5 Wynaad	..	..	..	..	..	14
6 Ernad	..	..	..	..	..	13
7 Walluvanad	..	..	..	..	..	2
8 Ponnani	..	..	..	..	..	36
9 Palghat	..	..	..	..	..	14

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(b) 121 persons from November 1954 up to 19th February 1955.

- (c) Intensive primary vaccination and re-vaccination by appointment of additional staff, house isolation, disinfection of infected houses, personal effects, etc., smearing of carbolised vaseline and sulphanomide ointments, closing of schools and theatres in the infected localities, propaganda by means of informal talks, magic lantern lectures, etc., appropriate treatment and general relief measures, such as distribution of multi-vitamin tablets, rice gruel and reconstituted milk in some of the affected areas.

Local Development Works in Quilandy Firka

145 Q.—SRI C. KUNHIRAMA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the schemes sanctioned under the Local Development Works in Quilandy Firka, in Kurumbranad taluk, Malabar, for the year 1952-53; and

(b) whether all the works have been completed, and if not, why?

A.—(a) & (b) No scheme was sanctioned under the Local Development Works programme in Quilandy firka during 1952-53 as the Local Development Works programme was introduced by the Planning Commission only in 1953-54 and there was no such programme in 1952-53.

Security cases in Kuthanallur Police Station

146 Q.—SRI P. VENKATESHA SHOLAGAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of cases instituted under sections 107, 109 and 110 of the Criminal Procedure Code in the Kuthanallur Police Station area in Tanjore district;

(b) how many cases were dropped;

(c) how many cases ended in conviction; and

(d) how many cases are still pending?

A.—(a) 23.

(b) Nil.

(c) 23.

(d) Nil.

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Factory for making soap with neem-oil

147 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the place selected for the establishment of a factory and institution for making soap with neem oil;

(b) the reasons for selecting the place; and

(c) what the other places considered by the Government were as suitable for establishment of the above?

A.—(a) No decision has yet been taken.

(b) & (c) Do not arise.

Toy-making industry

148 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the schemes which the Government have on hand or under consideration to develop the toy-making cottage industry?

A.—Two schemes have already been sanctioned—one for a Departmental Unit for the manufacture of paper toys in the Pulivalam village of Musiri taluk in Tiruchirappalli district and another for the manufacture of clay toys in Tholurpatti village of Musiri taluk. It is also proposed to investigate the possibility of setting up service units for developing the Ceramic Industry including toy-making on a cottage basis in the Neiveli Lignite area. No other scheme is under consideration at present.

Transfer of Prohibition work to the Police department

149 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government transferred the Prohibition work to the Police department throughout the State early this year;

(b) if so, the names of the districts where the work has been transferred early this year;

(c) whether the entire staff connected with the Prohibition work has been included in the Police department;

(d) whether it is a fact that a Deputy Inspector-General of Police has been put in charge of Prohibition enforcement in the State;

(e) what are the facilities extended to the Prohibition staff to undergo training in the police force;

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(f) how the officers have been fitted in the categories of officers of equal rank in the existing police staff and the principles on which this has been done; and

(g) whether this has resulted in the reversion of a number of Inspectors?

A.—(a) Yes, with effect from 3rd January 1955.

(b) Chingleput, South Arcot, Ramanathapuram, Tirunelveli, The Nilgiris, Malabar, South Kanara and Madras City.

(c) The staff sanctioned for the Excise and Prohibition department, both permanent and temporary, has been divided between the Board of Revenue (Excise) for residuary work and the Inspector-General of Police for enforcement work.

(d) A Deputy Inspector-General of Police has been temporarily appointed till 28th February 1955 as Officer on Special Duty (Reorganization) in the office of the Inspector-General of Police to attend to the preliminary work in implementing the transfer in respect of the large staff taken over by the Inspector-General of Police and their re-disposition and in formulating a re-training scheme for them.

(e) & (f) The Officer on Special Duty (Reorganization) is working out a scheme for the re-training of the Excise staff transferred to the Police department, their re-disposition and absorption in the Police department and the principles on which it should be done. Pending receipt of his proposals, the existing organizational set-up of the Excise and Prohibition department for the enforcement of prohibition in the eight districts will be continued, subject to the following modifications :—

(1) The three Assistant Commissioners of Excise allotted to the Police Department will work as Personal Assistants to the Inspector-General of Police, Commissioner of Police, Madras, and the Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Railways and C.I.D., Madras;

(2) the District Prohibition Officers will work as Personal Assistants to the District Superintendents of Police on the prohibition side; and

(3) the District Prohibition Officers, the Deputy Prohibition Officers, Assistant Inspectors of Excise, Sub-Inspectors of Excise, Petty Officers, Prohibition Guards and the ministerial staff in the districts will work under the control of the respective District Superintendents of Police of districts.

(g) The answer is in the negative.

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Housing programme for workers

150 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have any scheme for the construction of new houses under the Government housing programme for workers in the year 1955–56;

(b) if so, the estimated cost;

(c) whether the Government have constructed any industrial housing block under the Industrial Housing Scheme; and

(d) if so, the number of houses so constructed for industrial workers in the State?

A.—(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 28,03,840.

(c) Not yet.

(d) Does not arise.

Salary of Non-Gazetted Officers

151 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the expenditure incurred towards the salary of Non-Gazetted Officers in 1953–54; and

(b) the number of Non-Gazetted Officers in the State?

A.—(a) The expenditure incurred towards payment of salary of Non-Gazetted Officers in 1953–54 was Rs. 6,61.42 lakhs on 30th September 1953 for the Composite Madras State and Rs. 3,08.40 lakhs on 31st March 1954, for the Residuary Madras State.

(b) The total number of posts under the Subordinate Ministerial and Superior Services was 178,743 on 30th September 1953 and 124,188 on 31st March 1954.

Strike in Textile Mills, Coimbatore

152 Q.—SRI R. KUPPUSWAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether there was any token strike of the textile workers in the Coimbatore district on 21st December 1954;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is a fact that many workers who had not participated in the strike were threatened and some were even beaten by those on strike while the strike was going on;

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(d) whether any report was sent to the local police by the non-strikers as against the strikers; and

(e) if so, what action has been taken on the strikers?

A.—(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The strike was staged as a protest against the management's failure to implement the recommendations of the Tripartite Textile Enquiry Committee.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) Action under the Indian Penal Code was taken against the persons complained of by the non-strikers.

Bus route permits for Harijans

153 Q.—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state whether any Harijans applied for any bus route in 1953 and 1954?

A.—Two Harijans in 1953 and 5 Harijans in 1954 applied for the grant of stage carriage permits.

Promotion of Sub-Registrars

154 Q.—SRI K. M. SEETHI SAHIB: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the number of Sub-Registrars recently promoted from the department; and

(b) the number of Muslims among them?

A.—(a) Eight.

(b) Nil.

State Soil Conservation Board

155 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether any Land Utilisation and Soil Conservation Board has been constituted in the State;

(b) if so, the names of the members thereof; and

(c) the amount of work turned out by the Board in the districts?

A.—(a) No Board known as 'Land Utilisation and Soil Conservation Board' has been constituted in this State. A Board called the State Soil Conservation Board was

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constituted in 1950. This Board was also re-constituted in May 1954, consequent on the separation of Andhra State.

- (b) & (c) The Board is only an advisory body. A statement^a explaining its constitution and functions as also the important recommendations made by the Board is appended.

Loans under the National Extension Service

156 Q.—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have fixed any time limits to the concerned officers for the sanction of the loans to peasants under the National Extension Service and other schemes and for the repayment of the loans by the peasants; and

(b) if so, what they are?

A.—(a) & (b) No time limit has been fixed for the sanction of loans to peasants by the concerned officers under the National Extension Service and other schemes. The Government have, however, fixed time limits for the repayment of the loans by the peasants. All short term loans are ordinarily repayable within a period of five years. All other loans are repayable within a period ranging from 5 to 25 years, as decided by Government from time to time.

National Extension Service Scheme.

157 Q.—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the total amount spent under National Extension Service Scheme during the year 1954 in the selected areas of this State; and

(b) the nature of work taken up for execution and the number of works completed?

A.—(a) The expenditure incurred during the year 1954 is given below :—

(i) Other than loans Rs. 23,77,794.

(ii) Loans disbursed Rs. 25,08,320.

(b) A statement^b giving the details of works taken up and executed under the National Extension Service from the inception of the scheme up to 31st December 1954 is appended.

^a Printed as Appendix VIII on pages 954-956 infra.

^b Printed as Appendix IX on pages 956-957 infra.

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Amount allotted to Tiruvallur Block under National Extension Service Scheme.

158 Q.—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the amount allotted to Tiruvallur taluk under National Extension Service Scheme for the year 1953-54;

(b) the amount allotted for the maintenance of the staff;

(c) the amount allotted towards improvement works; and

(d) whether any amount was surrendered unspent?

A.—(a) The amount allotted to Tiruvallur Block under National Extension Service Scheme for the year 1953-54 is Rs. 44,615.

(b) The amount allotted for Pay of Officers, Pay of Establishment, allowances and contingencies, etc., is Rs. 17,325.

(c) The amount allotted towards improvement of Works is Rs. 27,290.

(d) A sum of Rs. 7,587 was surrendered at the end of 1953-54.

National Extension Service Blocks for Malabar

159 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have allotted any additional blocks for Malabar for the year 1955-56 under the National Extension Service; and

(b) if so, what they are?

A.—(a) No. The question of allotment of Blocks under the National Extension Service during 1955-56 has not yet been taken up.

(b) Does not arise.

Government Hospital, Tiruvallur

160 Q.—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of beds provided for in-patients in the Government Hospital, Tiruvallur, Chingleput district;

(b) the average number of out-patients attending the hospital daily in 1954;

(c) the number of doctors and others working in the hospital; and

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(d) the amount allotted for (i) the purchase of medicine and (ii) the maintenance of the staff in 1954?

A.—(a) 13, Sir.

(b) 297, Sir.

(c) Two Medical Officers, two Nurses, one Maternity Assistant, two Compounders, one Cook, three Nursing orderlies, one Peon and one Toty.

(d) Rs. 5,642 for the purchase of medicines and Rs. 15,528 for the maintenance of staff.

Grant of house-sites to Harijans in Edayapalayam village

161 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether any representation was received on 7th January 1955 by the Government from 254. Edayapalayam village, Ponneri taluk, through a member of the House requesting the grant of house-sites to 200 Harijans in the village;

(b) if so, the action taken thereon; and

(c) what are the amenities provided for them by the Government?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) Copies of the letter and the petition from the Harijans have been sent to the Collector for necessary action.

(c) The question does not arise now.

Development of State highways

162 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) the programme of the State Government for the development of highways and the estimated cost for the next Five-Year Plan;

(b) how many roads and the extent of roads that will be tarred under the Second Five-Year Plan;

(c) how many highways will be widened and how many highways will be provided with two-way traffic and their estimated cost; and

(d) whether all the plans have been made ready and submitted to the centre.

A.—(a) to (d) The Chief Engineer (Highways) has been requested to prepare a draft Second Five-Year Plan for Rs. 12 crores with details of various categories of works.

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Murder and suicide cases in Kurumbranad taluk

163 Q.—SRI K. MOIDU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the number of cases of murder and suicide recorded in all the police stations in Kurumbranad taluk in Malabar district, during the years 1952-53 and 1953-54?

A.—A statement is placed below :—

Statement showing the number of cases of murder and suicide recorded in the police stations in Kurumbranad taluk in Malabar district, during the years 1952-53 and 1953-54.

Station.	Number of murder cases recorded.		Number of cases of suicide recorded.	
	1952-53.	1953-54.	1952-53.	1953-54.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1 Badagara ..	Nil.	Nil.	12	4
2 Nadapuram ..	1	Nil.	10	4
3 Quilandy ..	1	1	1	7
4 Payyoli ..	1	Nil.	2	4
5 Perambra ..	Nil.	1	4	3
6 Baluserry ..	Nil.	1	5	5
7 Kuttiady ..	1	Nil.	1	3
Total ..	4	3	35	30

River conservancy from the Lower Anicut Coleroon left bank to the sea

164 Q.—SRI G. VAGHEESAM PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) the amount spent during 1951-52, 1952-53 and 1953-54 for the maintenance of river conservancy from the Lower Anicut Coleroon left bank to the sea; and

(b) the length of the road?

						RS.
A.—(a)	1951-52	...	...	...	...	24,875
	1952-53	...	...	...	...	35,278
	1953-54	...	...	...	...	27,931

(b) 32 miles and 7 furlongs.

Half grants to panchayats for village roads

165 Q.—SRI G. VAGHEESAM PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state the amount spent for village panchayats under half grants for roads and culverts during 1952-53 and 1953-54?

A.—The grants actually disbursed to the panchayats in this State for improvement of village communications during 1952-53 and 1953-54 are Rs. 59,099 and Rs. 54,137 respectively.

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Second Five-Year Plan

166 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether the programme of work to be done in this State under the Second Five-Year Plan has been finalized and whether it will be placed on the table of the House; and

(b) whether the Government have reviewed the progress of work in this State under the First Five-Year Plan, and if so, make such reviews available to this House?

A.—(a) The Second Five-Year Plan for the Madras State has not yet been finalized. The Plan, when finalized, will be placed on the table of the House.

(b) The answer to the first part of the question is in the affirmative. The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the publication entitled “Madras in the Five-Year Plan” copies of which have already been furnished to the Members.

Stationery articles to Government departments

167 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state the total expenditure incurred on the supply of stationery articles to all Government departments in the State in 1953 and 1954?

A.—

Year. (1)	Expenditure. (2) RS.
1952-53 For Composite State	52,57,793
1953-54 For six months April to September 1953, for Composite State.	27,50,755
1953-54 For remaining six months, October 1953 to March 1954, for Madras State.	22,19,974
Separate figures for calendar years 1953 and 1954 are not available.	

Misappropriation of Government dues by village officers

168 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state the number of cases of embezzlement, misappropriation of Government dues by village officers in Pudukkottai division of Tiruchirappalli district, after the merger of the Pudukkottai State with the Madras State?

A.—Thirteen cases till the end of 1954.

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Recruitment of District Munsifs

169 Q.—SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether there was any recruitment of District Munsifs during 1954;

(b) the total number of District Munsifs selected;

(c) how many applied from the Bar and from the Services;

(d) how many were selected from the Bar and from the Services respectively;

(e) how many Assistant Public Prosecutors applied and were selected;

(f) how many Judicial District Magistrates applied and were selected;

(g) how many Muslims applied and how many were selected from—

(i) Bar;

(ii) Services; and

(h) how many of the candidates formerly selected by the Madras High Court are still 10 (a) (i) candidates?

A.—(a) Yes, Sir, in September 1954.

(b) Fifty.

(c) Two hundred and forty-six candidates applied from the Bar and 124 (one hundred and twenty-four) candidates applied from the Service.

(d) Twenty-seven candidates were selected from the Bar and twenty-three were selected from the Services.

(e) Fifty-nine Assistant Public Prosecutors applied, of whom three were selected.

(f) As posts of District Magistrates (Judicial) are borne on a higher cadre and promotion to those posts are made from District Munsifs, the question of incumbents in these posts applying for appointment as District Munsifs does not arise.

(g) (i) Nineteen Muslims applied from the Bar and two were selected.

(ii) Six Muslims applied from the Services, but none was selected.

(h) Thirty-one.

Cashewnut cultivation in Malabar

170 Q.—SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) how many acres of land are under cashewnut cultivation in Malabar district in 1953-54; and

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(b) the total production of cashewnut in Malabar district in 1953-54?

A.—(a) During the year 1953-54, 23,467 acres were under cashewnut cultivation in Malabar district.

(b) The production was 2,290 tons in terms of kernel in that district in the same year.

Pick-pocketing in City buses

171 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) the number of pick-pockets detected for theft of purses from passengers in the City of Madras in the year 1953-54;

(b) the number of passengers who were pick-pocketed—

(i) while travelling in buses; and

(ii) while trying to get into the buses;

(c) the number of persons chased on suspicion while alighting from the buses as well as getting into the buses; and

(d) the number of persons stabbed and grievously hurt by pick-pockets in 1954?

A.—(a) 182.

(b) (i) 145.

(ii) 128.

(c) 5.

(d) 1.

National Productivity Centre

172 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the steps taken by the Madras Government to increase the industrial productivity under the National Productivity Centre?

A.—The question of starting a National Productivity Centre is under the consideration of the Government of India. The question asked by the hon. Member does not therefore arise at this stage.

Five-Year Plan

173 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the method of propaganda chalked out by the Government for popularizing the Five-Year Plan in the State, if any?

A.—No special method of propaganda has been chalked out by the Madras Government for popularizing the Five-Year Plan. The Plan is being published through the normal channels, i.e., through the medium of special publications, articles in the 'Madras Information', broadcast talks, exhibitions, etc.

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Uplift of Backward Classes

174 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state the scheme in the First and Second Five-Year Plan for the uplift of backward communities in the State?

A.—As regards the First Five-Year Plan, the attention of the Member is invited to the answer given to clauses (a) and (b) to the question No. 411 at the meeting of this House on 17th December 1954. The Second Five-Year Plan has not yet been finalized.

New panchayat boards in Tiruvallur taluk

175 Q.—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state the names of villages where new panchayat boards are proposed to be constituted in Tiruvallur taluk, Chingleput district?

A.—The names of villages in the Tiruvallur taluk of the Chingleput district for which panchayats are proposed to be constituted are—

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 Mudiyr. | 25 Thirupair |
| 2 Bheerakuppam. | 26 Chinnabhupalapuram. |
| 3 Thirupuranthakapuram. | 27 Ramanjeri. |
| 4 Ramagiri. | 28 Ramenthendalam. |
| 5 Venbakkam. | 29 Magaral. |
| 6 Rajanagaram. | 30 Guruvoyal. |
| 7 Pulipadu. | 31 Damarapakkam. |
| 8 Karur. | 32 Kodivali. |
| 9 Adivikodiambedu. | 33 Pinjivakkam. |
| 10 Pennalurpet. | 34 Egathur. |
| 11 Gunipalayam. | 35 Athigathur. |
| 12 Perunthur. | 36 Melnallathur. |
| 13 Sendrampalayam. | 37 Vengathur. |
| 14 Nambakkam. | 38 Satharai. |
| 15 Rallapadi. | 39 Nungambakkam. |
| 16 Thonur. | 40 Kondacheri. |
| 17 Poondi. | 41 Kilacheri. |
| 18 Movur. | 42 Paparambakkam. |
| 19 Malandur. | 43 Koovam. |
| 20 Kalpathi. | 44 Ulandai. |
| 21 Sembedu. | 45 Thodukkadur. |
| 22 Punnappakkam. | 46 Kotaiyur. |
| 23 Poorivakkam. | 47 Koppur. |
| 24 Kunnavaikkam. | |

Appointment of Deputy Tahsildars in Chingleput district.

176 Q.—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the rules for the selection of persons to be included in the list of persons qualified for appointment as Deputy Tahsildars;

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(b) how many upper division clearks have been promoted as Deputy Tahsildars in Chingleput district since 1950; and

(c) how many of them are Harijans, backward classes and Brahmans?

A.—(a) The rules are given in appendix * below.

(b) Twenty-six.

(c) Harijans—Nil.

Backward classes—4.

Brahmans—10.

Sinking of wells for lift irrigation

177 Q.—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have issued any orders to recover immediately the subsidy granted to agriculturists for sinking of wells for lift irrigation;

(b) if so, the number of persons from whom the amount was recovered and the total amount recovered in the year 1953–54; and

(c) the amount yet to be recovered?

A.—(a) The Government have not issued any orders to recover immediately the subsidy loans granted to agriculturists for sinking of wells for lift irrigation.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Cultivable waste lands in Vandur firka

178 Q.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state how many acres of cultivable waste lands are there in Vandur firka, Ernad taluk, South Malabar, owned by Government and private landlords?

A.—There are 2,400 acres of cultivable waste lands belonging to private janmis in Vandur firka, Ernad taluk. There are no cultivable waste lands belonging to the Government.

Municipalities and panchayat boards

179 Q.—SRI G. GOVINDAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state the number of municipalities and panchayat boards in each district according to their grades?

* Printed as Appendix X on page 957–959 infra.

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A.—A statement is appended below :—

Districtwise classification of municipalities and panchayats.

Serial number and name of district.	Number of municipalities.				Total.	Number of panchayats.		
	Selection grade.	First grade.	Second grade.	Third grade.		Class I.	Class II.	Total.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
1 Chingleput	1	..	2	3	14	379	293	
2 South Arcot	1	2	1	4	17	365	382	
3 Tanjore	2	2	2	6	23	696	719	
4 Tiruchirappalli ..	1	2	1	4	22	462	484	
5 Madurai	1	1	3	6	26	336	362	
6 Ramanathapuram ..	..	3	4	7	24	208	232	
7 Tirunelveli	2	1	1	4	37	178	215	
8 North Arcot	1	2	5	8	19	861	880	
9 Salem	1	..	1	2	35	582	617	
10 Coimbatore	1	3	4	8	33	225	258	
11 The Nilgiris	1	1	..	2	6	31	37	
12 Malabar	..	1	4	5	31	150	181	
13 South Kanara	1	..	1	2	7	264	271	
Total	4	14	18	25	61	294	4,737	5,031

Pay of the shroffs in the sub-treasuries.

180 Q.—SRI R. S. ARUMUGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state the scales of pay of the shroffs in the sub-treasuries of this State?

A.—Grade I—Rs. 70 per mensem.

Grade II—Rs. 40—2—50—1—65 per mensem.

Grade III—Rs. 30—1—45 per mensem.

Jeps for District Health Officers

181 Q.—SRI R. S. ARUMUGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state how many jeps have been made available for the use of the District Health Officers in the State?

A.—Nine jeps, Sir.

Forest waste lands in Pudukkottai division

182 Q.—SRI V. CHINNAYYA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the extent of forest waste lands in Pudukkottai division;

(b) how many applications were received by the Government in 1954 for the assignment of these lands for cultivation; and

(c) how many of them were received from the Harijans?

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A.—(a) The forests in Pudukkottai form part of the Pudukkottai range which is in Tiruchirappalli Forest Division. The Pudukkottai forests are fairly well wooded and there are no waste lands in them.

(b) No such applications were received.

(c) Does not arise.

Assignment of lands to Scheduled Castes

183 Q.—SRI D. DASARATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the total extent of lands reserved for the Scheduled Castes in the State;

(b) the extent of lands of that total under the occupation of the Scheduled Castes at present; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government for assigning the remaining lands?

A.—(a) to (c) The particulars are not readily available. The time and labour involved in gathering the particulars will not be commensurate with the benefit to be derived thereby.

Government Pentland Hospital, Vellore.

184 Q.—SRI D. DASARATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of beds available in the Government Pentland Hospital at Vellore;

(b) the number of doctors employed in it; and

(c) whether the hospital is supplied with adequate quantity of medicines and provided with the necessary medical equipments?

A.—(a) 202.

(b) Thirteen doctors.

(c) Yes.

Number of non-gazetted officers

185 Q.—SRI G. GOVINDAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the total number of non-gazetted officers in the State; and

(b) the total number of Malayalee non-gazetted officers in the State?

A.—(a) & (b) The Government consider that the time and labour involved in the collection of the information sought will not be commensurate with the purpose that it may serve.